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LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY IN SHREVEPORT

Landscaping Check Given By Altrusa

The Shreveport Altrusa Club, an affiliate of Altrusa International, recently presented Dean Donald E. Shipp a check for \$547 to cover costs of landscaping the island at the main entrance to the campus.

The check was presented to Shipp by Mrs. Oscar Tonymon, chairman of the community service committee. Others attending the presentation were Mrs. Bert Nettles, also a member of the committee, and Mrs. Kim Fortner, immediate past president of the local club.

Altrusa is a classified service club for women, either executives or in the professions, with membership restricted to a single representative from a specific profession, such as one doctor, one pharmacist, etc., Mrs. Fortner said.

Akin's Nursery is to do the landscaping which is to begin soon, Mrs. Tonymon said.

LSU-S Library Gets \$1800 Grant

LSU-S is among 11 libraries in an eight-parish area that has received federal funds. The Green Gold Pilot Library System for Northwest Louisiana is comprised of eight public libraries: Caddo, Bossier, Red River, Bienville, Claiborne, Sabine, Webster and DeSoto; and three college libraries in addition to LSU-S: LSU-Medical School-Shreveport, Centenary College and Southern University-Shreveport-Bossier.

The library at Pennzoil Co. will participate in the program but will receive no federal funds.

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Charges Reporter with Negligence

Jim Miller Defends Campus Committee

By GEORGE LAWRENCE

W. James Miller, associate professor of history and member of the Artists and Lecturers Committee at LSU-S, struck back recently in defense of that committee's role in the appearance here of the Rev. George F. Emery of the Universal Institute of Applied Ontology.

Charging that this writer failed to do his homework, Miller said he felt we "had no right" to accuse the Artists and Lecturers Committee of laxity in their investigation of Emery.

"A representative for Emery contacted Dean Donald Shipp who, in turn, contacted us. The representative asked if Emery could address the student body. Since he was to appear at no cost to us, we could see no reason not to sponsor his appearance," Miller said.

More Investigation

Asked if he did not feel there should have been more investigation into Emery's background and presentation, Miller said, "No." He added that they (the committee) had received favorable reports on Emery from other campuses.

"We can't come up with very much, simply because we have no funds," Miller said. He also indicated that service on the committee was a secondary role for those members of the faculty who serve on it.

\$1,500 Budget

In response to a question regarding his committee's budget, Miller said they had been given only \$1,500. "Most speakers on the circuit today get about \$3,000, about twice the committee's budget," he continued.

Because Emery had presented himself, Miller was asked if the committee usually waits for speakers to make themselves available. His response, "Of course not."

Miller said he formed the Artists

and Lecturers Committee a few years ago, and at that time he was told by Dean Shipp that no money to fund the committee was available. The second year of their existence a small amount was allocated, Miller continued.

"Students are not interested in attending lectures sponsored on campus," Miller said, adding, "They are made to come by their instructors."

When asked why students were not members of his committee, Miller said again they are simply not interested. Those students who served on the committee in past years, according to Miller, were only interested in bringing musical groups such as Blood, Sweat and Tears to the campus. Student Government Association President Ernie Roberson corroborated this remark. Miller said the purpose of the committee was to "expose them (students) to a more diverse group."

The budget of the committee can not be increased, Miller said, because even though the university requests added funds, the legislature considers distinguished artists and lecturers as luxuries, and cuts funds for this purpose from the budget.

Asked if there is not some way to raise funds for this purpose on campus, Miller said, "No. We're lucky to get the money we've been getting. Dean Shipp has been very generous with giving us what we have gotten."



PRESENTING A CHECK from the Altrusa Club to Dean Donald Shipp is Mrs. Oscar Tonymon, chairman of the community services committee. Other members pictured are (from left) Mrs. Kim Fortson and Mrs. Bert Nettles.

Vivian Kiwanis Group Hears SGA President

Ernie Roberson, Student Government Association president at LSU-S, in a speech to the Vivian Kiwanis Club, said a four-year, degree-granting institution would benefit the entire Northwest Louisiana area in a variety of ways.

After briefly outlining the history of the Shreveport campus, Roberson described some of the institution's most pressing problems, the largest of which is overcrowding.

"Presently we have about 1,750 students enrolled at LSU-S, and in one course that I know of, where over 70 students were enrolled, several had to bring chairs from other classrooms and sit in the hall to take notes," he said. "Eventually enough people dropped the course to where sufficient room was available in the classroom," Roberson continued.

Various Segments

Categorizing the various segments of the school's student body, Roberson said there is an "over 25" group that encompasses primarily veterans who are married and have returned to school, and the "working" segment which has both physical and economic roots in Shreveport. "Neither of these groups," Roberson said, "can simply pull up stakes and leave the Shreveport area."

A third group Roberson characterized as the "business" group, consisting of housewives and businessmen who come back to school to pursue further their education, in many cases, the masters degree or teacher's certification requirements.

"These people, in many instances, cannot secure third and fourth year courses, because they simply are not available," Roberson said.

Cannot Go Elsewhere

Roberson told the Kiwanians that another group of students attending LSU-S is that group which, for personal or private reasons, finds it prohibitive to attend school at some other institution.

"We have students that must stay at home to care for parents, or other relatives. These students are not able to go to some other school in a small town with a minimal job market," Roberson said.

Final Group

A final group, Roberson said, is the "regular student, who comes here full time, who wants to stay in the Shreveport area, but unfortunately is forced to move from the Shreveport area, complete his training in college, and then go into a job market which is basically a smaller job market than what we have here.

"He's out of our job market. We lose his money while he's in college. We lose his money when he's out of college, unless he's geared back into the Shreveport economy by an operation such as 'Operation Native Son,'" Roberson said.

Roberson told the Kiwanians there

is no four-year college nearer them than LSU-S. "The closest four-year college is some 70 to 80 miles away," he said.

"Students who come from Vivian are saving money by going to LSU-S, but because the last two years haven't been implemented, they are denied the right of a public education," Roberson told his audience.

Further benefits to the Vivian, and Northwest Louisiana areas outlined by Roberson were services available and "reference library facilities second to none in this area."

Industries Not Coming

Roberson said, "Industries are being driven from this area, or are deciding against coming to this region, because there is no four-year public school anywhere near. And let's face it. Businesses and industries, planning to locate in the area take this into consideration during their deliberations.

"Shreveport is the second-largest city in the state, and doesn't have a four-year school, whereas other communities only slightly larger than Vivian do have four-year schools. Also, Shreveport is the only city of its size in the nation that does not have a four-year public institution," Roberson said.

Will Play Arabian, Nubian Folk Music

Concert Is Scheduled Here Featuring Sudan Oud Artist

Hamza el-Din of Wadi Halfa, Sudan, will present an oud concert in Arabian and Nubian folk music at LSU-S, Friday March 6, at 2 p.m., in the Science Lecture Auditorium.

El-Din, visiting Assoc. Prof. of Music, University of Texas at Austin, received his early education in the Sudan. He has also attended the Fouad Institute of Music (now called the Arab Institute of Music), Cairo, and the Academia di Cecelia, Rome, Italy. In 1959, he received a fellowship from the Italian Government for study in Rome.

Extensive Travels

Traveling extensively, el-Din has collected, compiled and composed music including the organization and recording of Nubian music for non-percussive and traditional instruments.

From 1956-59, el-Din was a composer, performer and orchestra member for the State Radio of the Sudan,

Umdourman Radio.

Concert tours of the United States include San Francisco, at the invitation of the American Society for Eastern Arts; Boston University; University of Wisconsin, where he was guest resident artist and the Woodstock Festival.

In Pennsylvania, el-Din taught music appreciation at all age levels under the Title III Program.

Guest Lecturer

He has also served as guest lecturer at the University of Texas Summer Morocco Program. Outside the United States, el-Din has given concerts in Casablanca, Morocco; Cairo, Comumbu and Asswan, Egypt; and Khartoum and Khashum El Gerba, Sudan.

Recordings from 1964-70 include "al Out," "Vanguard, 1964," "Songs of Nubia," "Vanguard, 1965," "Waterwheel" and "Nonesuch, 1970."



POINTING OUT THE DEPLETION of human resources in America, Floyd Boswell says that we must eliminate or reduce the polarization that exists. (See story on page 5.)

"I SHOULD'VE THANKED THE SPEAKER ... I THINK HE CURED MY INSOMNIA."



College Not For Everyone

Everybody should go to college if he wants to be successful in today's world. This is the statement which is handed out to high school seniors and those who might be considering dropping out of college. That statement is a counselor's or teacher's pat answer to your problems. It is imparted to young people as the formula for success.

"You want to be successful? Then go to college," is part of the propaganda advisers pass out. Another goodie is, "Well, you certainly should go to college. You'll be wasting your life if you don't."

Young people are conditioned to believe that their possible success is doomed and something must be wrong with them if they choose to do something other than go to college.

Granted, few people can know for sure whether they are suited to college until they've been there. But in all the debate about whether or not to go to college, everyone seems to forget that people are individuals. Not everybody has to sit in a classroom and read chapters and write papers for four years to be successful.

Which brings up the question, "What is successful?" Maybe a distorted set of values is responsible for the situation.

It seems that today one has to collect that piece of paper and then go to the moon or make a million dollars or write a book for society to think that he is successful.

Today, the price of success and education seems to be, in many instances, the person's personal happiness. What good is it if you are successful (rich and famous, by society's standards) if you lack personal happiness and a feeling of worth and accomplishment?

Those who place themselves in a position to advise young people should realize that everybody is different and that a pat, standardized (and probably computerized) answer will not assure everyone of instant success and happiness. If advisers can't realize this, then each individual should make his own decisions and have the courage to stand up for them and not waste time living up to society's expectations.

—Carolyn Copple

Keep Off Our Grass

Each day at LSU-S, it is difficult, no, impossible, for one to avoid seeing someone tramp across the barren earth walkways where grass should grow. Everyone knows these walkways, the diagonal short-cuts from one building to another and to the Shack.

Complaints are constantly heard in the halls and classrooms of our system's lack of funds and the slow rate at which we as a college are growing. But yet it seems no one realizes the damage each one of us does to the potential beauty of our campus every time we take a short-cut across a patch of earth where grass is struggling to live and grow.

It seems even rain is unable to discourage the stompers. Their motto: If the path is muddy, merely walk on the green grass! This practice not only kills the grass but also serves

to bring part of the good soil into our buildings and eventually on walls and chairs.

Imagine the beauty all of us could enjoy if the grass were allowed to grow and flourish! No matter how elaborate the buildings or architecture may be, the true loveliness of a campus comes from the landscaping and greenery. No amount of special attention from a gardener can make the grass grow if we refuse our help and continue to saunter unfeelingly across the lawn. Only we, each one and all, can help. The time required for us to walk on the sidewalks rather than on the grass is a small, small sacrifice to give in return for lush, green grass. Take the time, and in a few months, notice the beautiful green we helped to grow.

—June Deason

Wanted: Opinions

By GEORGE M. LAWRENCE

These past two weeks have been hectic ones for this writer. Shocked at the sudden departure from this campus of a very good friend and comrade, yet also pleased and humbled after being named editor of the *Almagest*, we had to plunge headlong into affairs and duties for which we were only slightly prepared, and little qualified.

Interviews with administration spokesmen, SGA officials, instructors, and fellow students were our first order of business. Why so many interviews? To discuss ways to make the *Almagest* more of an organ of the students of LSU-S.

Dumbfounded and Confused

We have been dumbfounded at the vast number of ideas thrust at us, and at the same time confused by the mass of students who have no opinions as to how to make their newspaper more meaningful and topical.

Have you anything to say about the status of LSU-S or about your newspaper? Are you satisfied with your faculty? Faculty, are you satisfied with things as they are?

Send Gripes

If you are pleased with the status quo, fine. If not, let the *Almagest* know. If you have a gripe, write us a letter. We'll more than likely use it. Without question, if an issue of substance is raised, it will be investigated, and our findings made public.

The *Almagest* is your newspaper. It is intended to serve your needs and broaden your horizons. If you have something to say, but keep silent, you not only narrow your horizons, but you deny to others the opportunity to increase theirs.

Share with us. Fuss at us. We need your comments, and will very much appreciate them.

SGA Meeting

In its meeting of Feb. 17, the Student Senate unanimously accepted the resignation tendered by John McBride. McBride and another senator, Mike McCleod, had been threatened with impeachment if they did not resign.

Action against McCleod was withheld for two weeks to see if the university places him on attendance probation. According to Clayton Williamson, McCleod is suspended from the senate for voting purposes, and if he is placed on attendance probation, McCleod will automatically be dropped from the senate roster.

SGA President Ernie Roberson presented several proposals to the senate for action.

The first of these was recommendation of the "Spittoon Award" to be presented on a rotating basis to the faculty member who most aids the

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SGA To Show Silent Films

A silent film festival is planned for the night of March 10, in the science lecture auditorium. It will feature Lon Chaney, Sr., in the original "Hunchback of Notre Dame" and "Phantom of the Opera." The latter film is considered the original horror classic, said Ernie Roberson, student government association president.

Two W. C. Fields shorts, "If I Had A Million" and "The Great Chase," are also to be shown.

Roberson said that for the first time, the SGA is going to serve pizza, in an effort to increase attendance.

Roberson said the SGA will attempt to show the Fields shorts in the snack shack Friday morning. "We will also take one or two of the films to show to the students at the Caddo School for Exceptional Children," Roberson added.

A committee to draft a student "Bill of Rights" was recently appointed by SGA President Roberson. Those

appointed were Clayton L. Williamson, freshman senator and chairman of the committee; Karla H. Butler, freshman sociology major, and George M. Lawrence, sophomore journalism major and *Almagest* editor.

ANNOUNCEMENT

The second 9 weeks of Books and Libraries will begin Monday, March 13, for sections 6, 7 and 8 and Tuesday, March 14, for sections 9 and 10.

You Watch Your Show - I'll Watch Mine

Once again pornography is in the public's eye and this time it has really done itself a subtle favor by allowing us to see the naked truth. I am referring to the latest conflict between the television networks and the public-minded censors over the late night showing of an X-rated movie. The battle centers around responsible telecasting and network competition, neither of which is likely to fold in the near future.

The two main camps, here defined as the good guys (religious groups and anti-pornography) and the bad guys (TV network executives and pro-pornography) are each vying for the public's interest (and money) in what they consider a moral commitment. Should the networks feature such controversial films and, if so, can they still be responsive to the best wishes of the viewers? One side says yes and the other no.

It would be absurd for this writer to assert his own opinion and try to convince the reader of its merits but I would like to stress that in any issue the final outcome is altogether irrelevant. Only God can determine the effects of an X-rated movie on the individual. Therefore, the arguments of the religious side that it will pollute the thoughts of men and lead to a decline in moral behavior and the networks belief that people are mature enough to view such a film in our modern times are both invalid.

The most important point one can learn from the issue itself is the insight into social behavior and the real problem that lies beneath the surface. By doing this we will begin to examine ourselves and ask critical questions. Do X-rated movies (I mean real X-rated movies and the like) tend to stereotype man-woman relationships? And will my thoughts (not my beliefs) concerning such films, if not accepted by others, be suppressed and quickly forgotten leaving only one fashionable opinion? In this manner society will either accept or denounce X-rated films being shown on television.

Well, in the end, whatever the final decision, we'll just have to wait and see—and seeing is believing!

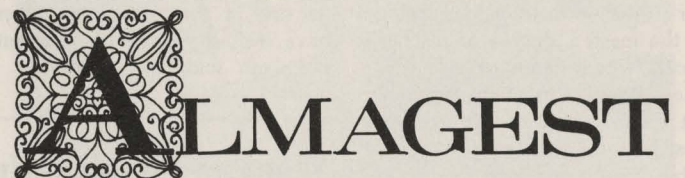
—James C. Wycoff

Business Club Hears Booth

Beta Chi, campus business club, held its first meeting of the new semester recently.

Robert Booth of the Better Business Bureau of Shreveport discussed ethics in business and the role of the Better Business Bureau.

Dues were collected at the meeting. The semester dues are \$2 for those interested in becoming members and \$1 for continuing members. The last day to join for the spring semester is March 3.



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No More Dams

By GEORGE LAWRENCE

Few wild and scenic rivers remain in the United States today. Upon almost exclusive recommendation of the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers, some of the most scenic areas of our nation have been inundated behind dams that often are of questionable value. Areas of the Rio Grande River have been dammed supposedly for flood control, water conservation and recreational purposes. But the dams are in the desert where residents are few and where floods were of little consequence. And because they have advanced only slightly beyond the Stone Age, Indians of the region will not derive too much benefit from recreational facilities available.

A recent proposal made by the Corps of Engineers is to dam the Colorado River below Grand Canyon and inundate a great portion of this most majestic monument to the awesome forces of nature. Other Corps proposals that construction had begun on, and which were almost completed before President Nixon ordered them halted, were the Trans-Florida Navigational Canal and the jet port immediately north of the Everglades. Either of these projects, had they been completed, would have murdered the Everglades.

But the Corps continues in its attempts to build damn dams. It has recommended that dams, as flood control and water conservation projects, be built on every stream in the Ouachita Mountains in southwest Arkansas. No reason exists for such an asinine proposal.

Problems of major flooding in this region were resolved long ago. There is virtually no tillable soil in the Ouachitas in plots large enough to make any type of row-cropping profitable. Four times the water required by the year 2080 is already impounded in this area. Cattle raising is, at best, a risky business because of a lack of quality pasture land. Except for lumbering operations which would have to compete with one of the industry's largest corporations, Weyerhaeuser, the area is unsuited to industry of more than meager proportions.

Yet the Corps of Engineers, in its infinite wisdom, proposes damming every river in the Ouachitas. Their warped abilities to reason intelligently have allowed them to sell residents of the region a totally unrealistic bill of goods. The Corps tells them the new lakes will be a boon to the tourist trade, will insure adequate water, will guard against devastating floods and so on. These claims we must examine.

As stated earlier, adequate water already exists, and floods are no longer a major problem, if in fact they ever were. But the absurdity relating to tourism we have not explored.

First, the lake will be of a very small size and would be forced to compete with larger and more suitable recreational lakes already existing in the area. Also, day-to-day fluctuations in the level of the lake would have a negative effect on most types of recreational activities. Second, the smallmouth bass fishery in this region would virtually be annihilated, because this battler requires fast, clear and unpolluted streams to propagate. Lakes would wipe out this marvelous game fish in this, its southernmost breeding ground. Exotic (imported) fishes such as trout could not survive in this area because the waters are too warm for him, and largemouth bass fishing on these small lakes would enhance the area's economy little, if at all.

Conservationists are trying to save one of the rivers in the Ouachitas as a wild and scenic river. This 87-mile-long stream is the Cossatot. It flows out of the upper Ouachitas, where its headwaters are fed by thousands of springs and tiny creeks. As it begins to become identifiable some 15 miles below its headwaters, it meanders slowly southward toward a portion of its length which is a favorite to canoeists and naturalists of the Ark-La-Tex, because of the rapids it contains. Shooting the Cossatot's rapids has become a favorite pastime for adventurers from throughout the South and Southwest.

But unless groups such as the Ozark Society and the Sierra Club are successful, this jewel created by the Hand of God will be crucified by the bulldozer of man.

If we condone this intrusion on Nature's handiwork, we soon will see the Everglades devoid of life, the Grand Canyon inundated, and the American Bald Eagle as extinct as the passenger pigeon. We can ill afford to suffer this tiny loss.

Campus Happenings

By TOMMY ATKINS

In reading over this issue's correspondence, I find that Grambling College and Louisiana Tech will host a summer workshop in elementary courses. The workshop will introduce new ideas and techniques in the teaching of science in the elementary schools.

According to the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy, Northeast's School of Pharmacy ranked fourth in enrollment out of 73 accredited schools. The enrollment included 61 out-of-state students and eight students from three foreign countries.

Also at Northeast the Student Government Association has witnessed an unusual resignation of 16 senators this semester. Senator vacancies are filled by presidential appointment and senate approval.

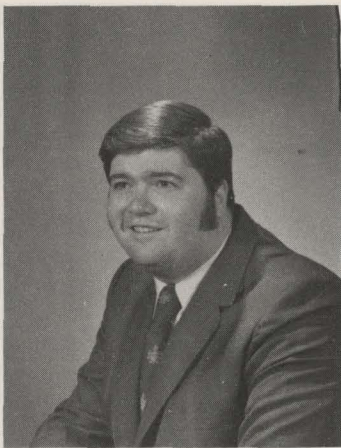
A new regulation that would al-

low a student to drop a class the day before the final exam and be given a "W" for the course has been approved by the administrative council at Nicholls State University.

Vernon F. Galliano, president of Nicholls said, "We are just following the trend of other universities." Also he said that students could escape probation or suspension under the new plan.

The parking problem at Louisiana Tech will be lessened with the construction of a new parking area. New crosswalk areas will be supplied for pedestrians.

In a lighter vein, roast beef proved to be the favorite food for Tech students. Weiners and sauerkraut ranked on the bottom of the survey which was conducted in Wilson Cafeteria by the SGA.



Ernie Roberson

SGA Meet

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students, shows most unselfish dedication to his profession, and best exemplifies the true spirit of a scholar and teacher. The award is to be made in late April of each year.

"The spittoon was chosen because of its utility and essentiality to society," Roberson said. "The spittoon, like a teacher-scholar, is often overlooked in praise, but not without comment when missed," he continued. Roberson further stated that the award's purpose is to establish some tradition at LSU-S and to recognize the "good" members of the faculty.

Bill of Rights

A proposal to inaugurate a committee to draft a student bill of rights was presented, because, said Roberson, "there were things in the student handbook which encroached upon the civil rights of every student here."

Roberson then recommended the appointment of George M. Lawrence and Anita Yates to a student election board.

Opinion Poll

A student opinion poll, addressing itself to such issues as a mascot and school colors for LSU-S, and questions regarding various campus offices, was Roberson's next proposal.

Local legislators and other state officials were to be addressed in another Roberson proposal; a post-card campaign advocating immediate adoption of legislation granting LSU-S four-year status.

Roberson's final proposal recommended adoption of a Student Council Leadership Conference to be held here in late April. This, and all other proposals were adopted, and the necessary funds for their implementation were allocated.

Senate Appointments

Bill Allen, senate president, recommended allowing Roberson to appoint student senators to fill unexpired terms of senators dropped from the rolls. Williamson said that only in the case of impeachment does the constitution stipulate the procedure for selection to fill an unexpired term. A motion to allow appointments in such a manner, subject to majority approval of the senate, passed 8-1, with one senator abstaining.

Discussion followed regarding students being prohibited from smoking in classrooms. Allen discussed the question with Dr. Kenneth Purdy, assistant dean of academic affairs. Purdy said that probably this situation was a result of insurance rating procedure or regulations of the state fire marshal, but said he would look into this further. Later in the afternoon Purdy, after discussing the matter with Dean Donald Shipp, told Almagest Editor George Lawrence that apparently no regulation existed prohibiting smoking in classrooms.

Pass or Fail, Workable?

How many times have you worked hard to pass a course, only to be ultimately chided for a mediocre grade? Have you ever been turned down for a job because your grades in school were one point lower than those of a rival applicant? These problems do not lie in the individual, but are the fault of our cumbersome, infantile grading system. Let's take a look at these problems.

This system of grading as it is allows for achievement of five grades: "A," "B," "C," "D," and "F." The "D" or "F" grades are regarded as those made by imbeciles, while only the scholastic geniuses make the "A's." Sometimes minuses or pluses are tacked to these grades to make them better or worse. The division of grades can be damaging to a less able student who is doing his best, but just cannot make "A's."

A student attends school to absorb knowledge, not to compete with other students to see who can make the best grades. There are enough pressures in life, in trying to retain knowledge and attend classes and work without the added pressure of competing with other students.

A person who has varied interests is naturally going to make lower grades than the dedicated student whose one purpose is to make good

grades. This doesn't mean that the dedicated student is any better or worse than the other person; it simply means that he has more time for school and can learn what the instructor will ask on an exam. A student who makes "B's" or "C's" can cover just as much useful material as the student who makes "A's," the only difference being that when applications for jobs are submitted, the "A" student is considered more eligible. Not even the imagination could stretch this situation into being fair; thus, it must be changed.

This writer would propose a pass/fail system of grading as the solution to these problems. This system would allow a student to compete with himself, not with his peers. The academic system would be more relaxed, and therefore provide a better learning atmosphere.

Under the proposed plan, tests and homework would be graded, but only for the instructor's information. A student with a grade average of under 50% would automatically fail. Grades would not be handed out, but instead statements of either pass or fail would be issued. On top of many advantages, an individual would be judged by his talents and abilities, not by how well he did in school.

-Mike Stephens

What the World Needs

The dictionary defines love as "a strong feeling of affection, especially to one of the opposite sex." The definition continues to include parents, a sweetheart, brothers, sisters, friends and others as being capable of being in the realm of love.

Throughout history man has been concerned with the miracle, pursuit and manifestation of love. The theme of love has been carried through centuries by such characters as Antony and Cleopatra, Romeo and Juliet, and other such heroes and heroines in our literature.

Love has been proclaimed as being wonderful, glorious, the ultimate haven and even "what the world needs now." But is love, real love and devotion, such a necessary and wonderful thing in today's world?

Love, in the past has joined many people together in the effort of patriotism. But often the creation of this patriotism is the aftermath of a war. In many cases war has been caused by love-love of one's country. This type of love has caused more disaster and ruin than any other element. People say that they want a better world and a better place in which to live and equality for everyone—therefore people think that it is necessary to hold a war in order to obtain these objectives. But how many lives are lost in this effort? Countless lives have been lost in this "pursuit of love."

Love can strangle. Psychologists say that children will suffer if they are not given enough affection, love and attention. But how many more children suffer the same damage when they are smothered with love and end up completely devoted to their parents without any regard for their own life?

Love is celebrated every year in America, on Valentine's Day and on Memorial Day. One day is devoted to lovers and the other to the memory of men who have given their lives to the country they love.

Of course love can create wonderful marriages but think of the many marriages that have been broken up and are now classified as a statistic called divorce.

In all these examples love can either be wonderful or disastrous. These examples show that love is not—as many people today advocate—the answer to all our problems. The answer is rather reason and understanding. A gathering of our senses is needed to create a world of understanding and harmony. This world would contain love, but love would not be the basic thing forming it.

Love can be one of the world's greatest things but in a society such as the one we have created—love may create all, but love can not conquer all.

-Penny Ambrose

We Get Letters

In reference to George Lawrence's article on Mr. Emery's speech, I suggest Mr. Lawrence listen to what he's criticizing before he criticizes it.

Karla Butler





Sweet, Cautious, Sad Lyrics

Paul Simon's Record Exhibits High Caliber

By PETER MINDER

This week Paul Simon's first solo album was placed in record stands all over the world. In past years, every time a new musical melody has been released by the team of Simon and Garfunkel it has managed to become a milestone in musical history. This latest work by Paul Simon is no exception.

One interesting characteristic about Paul Simon that must be admired is his integrity. As popular and wealthy as he may be Paul Simon has never disappointed his fans with a musical work that was not up to his high caliber.

Paul's new album contains blissful, hilarious, sweet, cautious and sad lyrics.

Here's how it goes:

Mother and Child Reunion—Simon begins his album with the saddest song. The predominant theme in this song is lack of communication. It's simply very sad that a mother and her child after the course of a lifetime would have a communication gap. Imagine a child being reunited with his mother after a long absence and still neither of them have anything significant to say to each other.

Duncan—At first appearance this would appear to be the highlight of the album. Duncan finds himself in a hysterical situation when he can't go to sleep. The noise in the room next to him is too much and he remarks about the cheapness of motel walls. His father was a fisherman. His mother was a fisherman's friend. When he goes out in the world to make it on his own he leaves light-heartedly and heads for sweet New England. He is soon struck by poverty. With holes in his jeans and holes in his confidence he's as destitute as a boy could be. He's befriended again and again, but soon he finds a garden of delight. He sits in the woods and plays his guitar and thanks the Lord for his fingers.

Everything Put Together Falls Apart—A simple plea about the wastefulness of dope. "Downers to get you off to sleep. Uppers to start you on your way. They'll change your life style. I see it happening everyday."

Run That Body Down—This is probably the sweetest song in the album. The reoccurring question asked throughout the song is "How long you think that you can do what you've been doing?" This question is put to Paul by his doctor. Paul then goes home and asks his wife the same question. Then he warningly says to the kids, "Kids, you better look around; how long you

gonna run that body down? Quit foolin' yourself."

Peace Like A River—Simon is interrupted from his sleep at 4 a.m. His singing reflects upon the past glorious days and the times when his plans were uncertain and there was always misinformation following him wherever he went. He knows he's going to be up for a while. This is a song about his restlessness and the pain that goes along with uncertainty.

Papa Hobo—The first time I heard Paul Simon sing this song was on the Johnny Carson Show many months ago. I remember how uncommitted he was whenever Carson would ask him about his upcoming album. Simon would reply that he would finish the album when he was in the right mood and that when the inspiration for writing a new song hit him, he would write; but not before that.

Paul talks about the Detroit dilemma. He attempts to get away from the carbon monoxide of the car factory and the people who are signing up for their automotive dreams.

Hobo's Blues—Violin and guitar instrumental.

Paranoia Blues—Much has been said about New York City but Paul Simon has managed to put the words together into a delightful rhetoric to listen to, but probably a horrid experience to go through. Simon speaks of his fear of the customs man at the J.F.K. airport. Later, while eating chow fong at a restaurant in Chinatown, Paul turns around to look at something and when he turns back around his chow fong is gone. And thirdly, the manner in which people always seem to want an extra nickel or an extra dime. "Anyway you look at it you're bound to lose in New York City."

Well, Paul Simon seems to have done it again. It seems like only yesterday that I was watching the Grammy Awards on television and I watched Paul Simon step up on the stage and pick up his award. It was for the best album of the year, "Bridge Over Troubled Water." I can clearly remember his profound words at that time. They were "Thank you."

Romance, Charm Unique in Pisces

By J. CATHERINE HARRINGTON

Anyone celebrating his birthday between Feb. 20 and March 20 was born under the sign of Pisces, the fish.

Whoever said, "I don't want to be a millionaire, I just want to live like one," was just reflecting the Piscean philosophy.

Lazy Nature

Pisces are noted for their good charm of manner and a lazy good nature; slow to arouse, but when finally angered, Pisces can be biting sarcasm.

According to Linda Goodman, author of "Sun Signs," Pisces symbol, two fish swimming in opposite directions symbolizes the choice given to Pisces: to swim to the top, or to swim to the bottom and never quite reach his goals.

Disguises Himself

Pisces tend to think they can live forever. Humor is one of Pisces greatest weapons. He wears his laugh as a mask and it disguises him well.

The Fish man can be everything you want him to be—or everything you don't want him to be.

No Prejudices

Men born under the fish sign are never short of romance, they have no prejudices, and possess a rare sympathy of spirit.

The Pisces woman is every man's grade school valentine. She seldom tries to overshadow her man, married or single. The Neptune woman is eternally feminine during all seasons.

Many Moods

The Pisces woman is subtle, sometimes to the degree of deception. Like the March winds, the Fish has many moods.

Some people born under the Pisces sign are Grover Cleveland, Jackie Gleason, Michelangelo, Dinah Shore, Elizabeth Taylor, George Washington, John Steinbeck, Ted Kennedy, Rex Harrison and Elizabeth Brown-ing.

The deadline for submitting material to the LSU-S literary magazine, *Narcissus*, is quickly approaching. Any works of originality such as poems, themes, short stories and essays will be accepted for possible publication.

Manuscripts may be submitted to either *Narcissus* editor, Tommy Atkins in Sci. 327 or Dr. McBride in Lib. 257.



RELAXING IN THE GARDEN of the R. W. Norton Art Gallery is Sue Lynn Spruiell, the February "Girl of the Month." Sue is a sophomore elementary education major from Duncan, Oklahoma. In the upcoming Reader's Theater production here, Sue will play the role of Goldilocks, which is certainly an accurate casting. Sue's hobbies are tennis, ceramics and making paper flowers.

Uncle Sam Wants You?

By JAMES MILLER

Did you know that today's Army want to join you? Well-l-l-l, young man, then you can call 1-800-243-6000 toll-free for your nearest Army representative. Your choice of jobs. Your choice of duty. And, praise be, your hair!

Truly it would seem that the military establishment is changing. I can remember, ah yes, days gone by—1966 to be exact. Seventeen I was. A "fish" they said. \$95 a month. And at R.T.C., N.T.C., San Diego, California (impressive, no?), those Naval scoundrels did take my curls.

\$268 A Month

Times are anew, however, and today's bright, aspiring high school graduate can rack in over \$268 a month as but a lowly E-1. Would you believe I was proud of \$257 as an E-4?

Fact: the armed forces are becoming more and more appealing to more and more people, men and women alike. I, for one, being totally embittered against that organization, and having vowed many times ne'er to look back if ever I was reprieved, am not interested in pursuing so noble a career. But even I can not help but recognize a good (snicker) thing when I see it.

Pays Tuition

For the college student (I assume you qualify), R.O.T.C. programs offer for those who need it (and few don't) great financial assistance. For instance, the Army will pay your tuition and other necessary fees PLUS

\$50 a month spending money! An even trade (hoo boy): four years of college for four years in the Army.

Or, if you desire (and this is the one that convinced me at a tender age), you can turn the tables. Give up a tour of duty first and go to college afterwards with money from the G.I. Bill. In my case, Uncle is shelling out more than \$7,000. At \$90 a semester plus books, any boob can discern a handsome profit. I concede to that one advantage with heartfelt appreciation. Though I must feel I deserve it.

Feel The Call

Actually, I hope you don't think I'm putting the downs on my buddies in the fleet, or upon anybody else in any of the other services. I recognize the need, and I appreciate the effort. And if you feel the call, far be it from me to question your motives or your intelligence.

The "bennies" are almost worthwhile now, so get it on, do your thing, or go to it, however you can dig it. But please tell them I really don't want any more postcards inviting my wife and me to visit the reserve station, or brochures on the O.C.S. program, or information on flight training, or . . .



by Rick Mitz

SONGS FOR SIGMUND

There's a new music—newer than Joni Mitchell, American Pie, the Taylor Family, and Mrs. King's rock Queen Carole.

There's a new neon-lighted music that makes Janis Joplin seem like just another pretty voice and makes Frank Zappa the boy next door.

This new multi-dimensional music is gaining impetus like the sound of umbilical cords snapping all around the country.

Health Era

In an era of environmental health, health foods and mental health, it's only natural that there should be Health Music.

Music often has been used as a means toward health. For more than twenty years, psychologists have used music as a tool in treatment of mentally handicapped patients. Opera is well-known for its Mad Scenes. And many songs—from Deutschland Über Alles to On, Wisconsin—have provoked an emotional reaction in their listeners. But now, music is changing its tune.

Two new songwriters are writing creatively cathartic music as they revel and reveal through musically "meaningful" experiences.

Primal Scream Therapy

It all began about five years ago with Arthur Janov's controversial Scream therapy. Neurosis, Janov says, is frozen childhood pain. All neuroses are symptoms for releasing that Primal Pain, brought about by unfulfilling childhood experiences relating to parents. He points to a single cure: The neurotic person must dismantle his defenses and return to where he made the decisions to act out expectations of others rather than his own feelings. Janov's theory is complex but, briefly, the Primal patient must re-live pain to remove the "curse" in order to understand his neurotic tensions. Naturally, Mother and Father are an integral part of the therapy. The Primal patient is urged to call out his parents and, as he does so, the patient often begins screaming long and sorrowful sobs. This is the Primal Scream.

Lennon Is Patient

But now, Primal Scream Mothers

and Fathers have found their way to the phonograph. Dr. Janov's best-known patient is John Lennon, former Beatle. Lennon's latest two albums underscore his therapeutic involvements. In a song called "Mother," he musically writhes in pain, screaming: "Mother, you had me, but I never had you/I wanted you, but you didn't want me . . . Good-byeeee." He ends the album with a short and snappy song to the tune of Three Blind Mice: "My Mummy's dead/I can't get it through my head/I can't explain/so much pain/my Mummy's dead."

In his album, Lennon has creatively attempted to work out his Mother Thing, yelling at and for her at the beginning of the record . . . putting her to rest forever at the end. There is a blurred photograph of Lennon as a young boy on the album cover.

Same Genre

Dory Previn's music is of the same genre. When her husband, Andre Previn, left her for Mia Farrow, Dory's psyche cracked. She was institutionalized. "While I was in the hospital," she has said, "I started writing to get some order out of chaos. What I've tried to do is bring the madness out in the open."

And she's succeeded. Maybe too well. Her three albums contain more Mad Songs than all opera combined. In one song, she relives her four-month long sanitarium experience. But mostly she sings about her parents. "Damn you, Mother/how I hate you/you will never know how deep/I must cling till you release me/I could kill you in your sleep/I would smile to watch your life blood creep across your wretched hair yes, of course I love you, Mother/I'll never leave you . . . I swear."

Element of Sadness

But behind each element of Dory's madness is an element of sadness that passes through the listener's ears and straight to the heart.

This song is dedicated to her father: "The telephone sang/my sister calling/Dad is dead?/when did it happen?/six a.m. she said/did he ask for me?/what did you say?/never mind . . . God is kind."

Songs about parents have changed somewhat since the days of "I want a girl, just like the girl. . ."

LBC Chooses Betts To Mission Program

Sophomore Deborah Betts is one of 19 Louisiana students named to serve as "summer missionary" for 1972 by the State Missions Committee of the student department of the Louisiana Baptist Convention. Deborah will spend the summer as a missionary to Canada, under the direction of Southern Baptist Convention mission personnel.

The "summer missions" program is a joint venture of the Baptist Student department of the Louisiana Baptist Convention, the various local campus Baptist Student Unions, and the Home and Foreign Mission Boards of the Southern Baptist Convention. The local campus Baptist Student organizations raise the money needed to fund the missionary ventures and select the prospective summer missionaries from each campus. These selected students then meet in Alexandria with the Baptist State Missions committee to determine which ones will be named summer missionaries. Final selections are based on the needs of the actual mission fields and the student's abilities to meet those needs.



To qualify for selection a student must have a good grade average, a good record of service in his own church and campus Student Union, and in good physical and mental health.

The Baptist student summer missions program has proved to be a breeding ground for future service as career missionaries. It is significant that six foreign missionaries in Gaza, Tanzania, Mexico, Hong Kong and the Philippines once served as summer missionaries.

Student organizations on various college and university campuses in the state raised a total of \$12,000 to fund this summer's program.

Heard Plans For December Completion Date

J. H. Heard, engineer and director of field operations for Jesse H. Heard and Sons, Inc., contractors on the Liberal Arts Building under construction here, flew in a few days ago in his red, white and black Cessna four-seated airplane to inspect the project and gauge its progress.

"At present we're approximately two weeks behind schedule due to weather delays. With favorable weather, in about the next two weeks we'll be able to get the project back on schedule," Heard said.

"We're looking for a completion date in the latter part of December," he continued, "which is approximately two months ahead of schedule."

Presently the contractors are pouring concrete on the upper floors, Heard said. "It may seem strange that we would pour the upper floors before we do the ground floor, but that's the way it's done," he continued.

Concrete work should continue for about three more weeks, Heard said, and then application of the masonry should begin. After completion of the masonry work, the building should begin to take shape, he continued.

"We've gotten about 20 per cent of the project completed at this time," Heard said.

Polarization Reduction Necessary for Survival

By ELIZABETH LOTT

Floyd Boswell told a student audience at LSU-S recently that the survival of the nation depends upon three areas in which business can and must make meaningful contributions.

Boswell, general manager of Shreveport Works in Western Electric Co.'s Manufacturing Division, said that we must fully use our human and natural resources and then effectively manage these in order to produce results that neither could produce separately.

"We must eliminate or at least greatly reduce the polarization that exists in our society," Boswell said. "Civil wars, blacks against whites, youths against police and have-nots against have-haves are an exhausting depletion of our human resources—wasted energy which America can not afford," he said.

Public Well-being

In business, Boswell said that it is important for labor and management to come together. It is obvious, he continued, that "labor and management groups and individuals genuinely concerned about the public well-being are not hung up on personal or self-interests and are making progress."

Effective two-way communication with "a sort of collective bargaining is needed if we are to work efficiently toward common goals," he continued.

"The older generation can not tell you that our system is the best and that you must like it," nor can the youth say to the older generation that "their system is rotten to the core and we don't like it," he said.

Black Americans

Citing the poverty in America, Boswell said, "The story of black Americans is one of the greatest wastes of human resources in our history. We must work to insure that the promise of America comes true for all her people. Except for the incapacitated, every human is a potential source of productivity—a re-

source."

Boswell quoted from President Nixon's State of the Union Message: "Restoring nature to its natural state is a cause beyond party and beyond factions. It has become a common goal of all the people of this country . . . especially young Americans, because they . . . will reap the grim consequences. . . ."

Many accusing fingers have been pointed concerning the pollution issue, Boswell said, but "every segment of our society has had a hand in creating the problem; each must contribute to the solution."

Western Electric

Western Electric Co. is an example of what industry can do about pollution, according to Boswell. Thirty per cent of all the copper used by the company is recycled, he said. Boswell also pointed out the million dollar waste treatment plant to purify water at the plant.

As man's number has increased on earth, Boswell said, "We have borrowed into the future on our natural resources. The balance of nature began to be affected—at first unnoticed."

A better understanding of ecology is essential for all who make decisions affecting our environment, he explained. "Ecology as a science should be included in our basic educational curricula at all levels, he continued.

Could Unite Nation

If handled properly, Boswell said that ecology "could serve to unite our nation as never before in times of peace."

Every business must make a profit, but unless businessmen look "above and beyond their profit and loss statement, our social problems will never be solved," he concluded.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Feb. 28.—Campus Club meeting
- Feb. 28-March 17—Library Journalism exhibit by John Tabor and Journalism 99 students.
- Thur., March 2, 2:05 p.m.—Dr. George Kemp, "Louisiana Academy of Sciences," Radio Station KCIJ.
- Thur., March 2, 11 a.m.—Distinguished Lecture Series, Joe J. Synar, "The General Electric Company and Implications for Business in the 70's," Science Lecture Auditorium.
- Fri., March 3—Final date for resigning from the University without receiving grades of WA, WB, WC, WD or WF.
- March 6-10—Mid-semester Examinations.
- Thur., March 9, 2:05 p.m.—Hubert Humphries, "Library Archives," Radio Station KCIJ.
- Thur., March 9—Distinguished Lecturers Series, Carson Scoggins, "The Economic and Cultural Impact of the American Rose Society in Shreveport," Radio Station KCIJ.
- Tues., March 14—Mid-semester grades due in Registrar's office, 10 a.m.
- Wed., March 15—Betty Friedberg Art Show begins in library.
- Thurs., March 16, 2:05 p.m.—Ken Owen, "Income Tax Returns," Radio Station KCIJ.
- Fri., March 17—Spring Vacation begins, 10 p.m.
- Fri., March 17—Almagest No. 10.

Library Grant

(Continued from page 1)

Malcolm Parker, head librarian at LSU-S said, "On recommendation of the faculty library committee, the funds are being used for back files of magazines.

Parker further stated, "We have received one complete back file of "Journal of Mammalogy," Volumes 1-51, 1919-1970.

In addition, Parker said that other titles are on order: "Kenyon Review," volumes 1-26, 1939-64; "French Historical Studies," 1958-63; "Human Development," 1958-69; and "American Sociological Review," 1936-50.

After the volumes are received, Parker stated that they would be bound and added to the collection for use by students and faculty.

This will deplete the \$1,600 grant that LSU-S has received, according to Parker.



DR. SELVESTION JIMES, associate professor of biological science, is presented the first "Nurses' Best Friend" award. Shown (from left) are class members Ramona Hearn, Karen Wren, Dr. James, Sharon Jarvis, Donna Gibbs and holding the plaque, Melody Ann Rennie. Jimes received the award for helping advise the student nurses with problems concerning their curriculum, according to the class members.

Basketball Teams Forming; Site For Play Undetermined

An intramural basketball league is now in the process of being formed.

Any individual or group wishing to organize a basketball team should contact Dr. James D. Bates, associate professor of health and physical education, in Lib. 231, at the earliest opportunity.

A maximum of eight teams will be allowed with no more than 12 members per team.

Beginning Dates

Play will begin either Feb. 29, or March 2. A site for league play has not yet been determined.

Bates was asked, in relation to LSU-S having to locate facilities for indoor athletic events, whether he felt the university should construct first a gymnasium or a student union building.

Prefers Gym

"Of course, I can see obvious advantages to both," Bates said, "but I personally would prefer a gym because of the needed classroom space."

Told that some students had voiced opinions wherein they favored a student union building first, "because 'Bates' would not want his new gym floor damaged," Bates said, "That would depend on the type of floor."

Surface Important

He indicated a tartan surface such as that in the new "Dome" at Centenary was impervious to hard sole shoes, whereas a new wood floor

would be liable to scuffing.

"You can refinish a wood floor only so many times," Bates said, "then you have to take it up and install a new one."

Journalism Exhibit Begins in Library

A journalism exhibit, sponsored by John R. Tabor, supervisor of information services and journalism instructor and Journalism 99 students, will begin in the LSU-S library today.

The exhibit includes books, old newspapers, old magazines, a book-binding display, an old typewriter, pieces of printing type, a type drawer, stereotype mats and replicas of newspapers that depict historic events. The replicas are reproductions of front page coverage of the most dramatic and important events in American history.

Members of Journalism 99, an independent study course, are Elizabeth Lott, Florence Petrofes, James Wycoff and Diane Barksdale.

The exhibit, open to the public, will run through March 17. In addition, an art show by Mrs. Alton Sartor is showing at the library until March 10.

FACULTY NEWS

Dr. Bobby E. Tabarlet, associate professor and chairman of education, and psychology was recently a member of the nominating and elections committee of the 52nd Annual Conference of the Association of Teacher Educators. The conference was held in Chicago.

The convention included nationally known speakers, concurrent assemblies, presentations and small discussion groups.

Share Ideas

The theme of the meeting was "Teacher Education: A Kaleidoscope of Issues." The purpose was to share ideas with other professional educators.

Tabarlet was also one of four judges who selected the Outstanding Young Teacher of the Year in Shreveport.

Research Published

Dr. Sylvester Jimes, chairman of the biological sciences department, and Dr. Ronald Silberman, chairman of the microbiology and immunology department at LSU Medical School in Shreveport, have had their research entitled, "Prevalance of Antibodies to Coxiella Burneti in Dairy Cattle of Northwest Louisiana," published in Texas Reports on Biology and Medicine, Volume 29, Number 3, Fall, 1971.

Dr. Jimes was chosen for the Student Nurses' Best Friend Award for assistance and advice given to student nurses concerning their curriculum. This is the first award of its kind at LSU-S.



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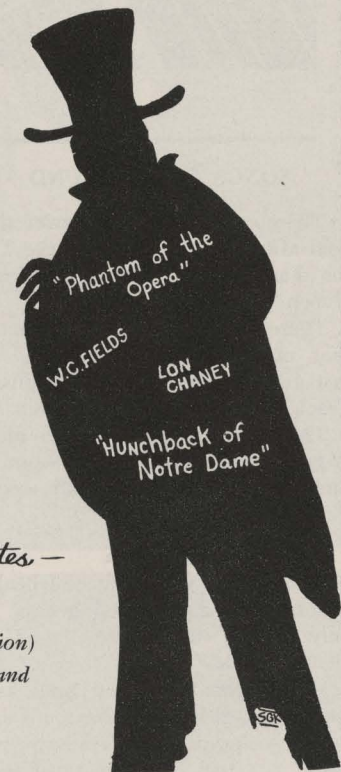
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